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Northeast Regional Office/Fisheries Statistics Office Fishery Information Section

Weekly Summer Flounder Quota Report (No. 27)

Summer Flounder Landings (pounds) for 2000.

•	Period					
State	Late Entries	Week Ending Cumulative			Percent	
		08-JUL-00	Total (to date)	2000 Quotas	Landed	
ME	0	0	5,989	3,956	151.4	
NH	0	0	0	51	0.0	
MA	670	71,831	212,807	710,712	29.9	
RI	2,458	0	1,210,424	1,742,566	69.5	
CT	6,533	10,339	214,262	250,788	85.4	
NY	1,040	13,462	597,519	849,672	70.3	
NJ	35	35,329	1,227,372	1,814,320	67.6	
DE	0	0	6,016	-31,738	-	
MD	0	5,345	76,455	226,568	33.7	
VA	0	0	1,567,473	2,358,689	66.5	
NC	889	38	2,312,984	3,049,560	75.8	
TOTAL	11,625	136,344	7,431,301	11,006,882	67.5	

Notes:

These data are the best available to NMFS when this report was compiled. Data are supplied to NMFS by dealers and/or state agencies and may be preliminary.

If negative late entries are present on this report, they are the result of corrections made to the database.

For the week ending **08-JUL-00**, 219 dealers held a federal summer flounder permit. Of those 219 dealers, 154 (70%) have submitted a weekly quota report for the current reporting week to the Northeast Regional Office. Because Massachusetts dealers submit weekly quota reports directly to the state, the number of dealers that reported from Massachusetts for week ending **08-JUL-00** were not included in the above percentage of dealers that reported to the Northeast Regional Office.

The following summary is updated as information is received, and may not reflect recent state actions. Readers are urged to contact the appropriate state agency for further information.

State Information on Summer Flounder (2000 Quota Period)

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State/	Closure	Trip/Possession Limits	Other Provisions/	State Contact
Commonwealth	status	(pounds)	Pending Changes	
Maine				Kerry Lyons 207-633-9510
New Hampshire				603-868-1095
Massachusetts		Effective Wednesday, 7/5/2000, the trip limit for all net gear will be 300 lbs per day and the trip limit for all hook gear will be 200 lbs per day.		Dave Pierce 617-727-3193
Rhode Island		Effective 0001 hrs on Saturday, 7/1/2000, commercial harvesting of summer flounder in Rhode Island waters is prohibited until 9/1/2000.		April Valliere 401-222-3075 401-789-3094
Connecticut		Effective 0001 hrs on Saturday, 7/1/2000, the possession limit for summer flounder in Connecticut will be increased to 250 lbs until 15% of the Connecticut annual quota has been landed.		Colleen Giannini 860-434-6043
New York		Beginning 0001 hrs on Sunday, 6/11/2000, the trip limit will be a maximum of 50 lbs and the quantity of summer flounder may not be more than 10% of all fish being landed. This change does not apply to the new HOOK & LINE permit holders. That category remains a directed fishery.		John Mason 516-444-0453

State Information on Summer Flounder, continued (2000 Quota Period)

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State/	Closure	Trip/Possession Limits	Other Provisions/	State Contact
Commonwealth	status	(pounds)	Pending Changes	
New Jersey		The July-August directed fishery season will begin on Sunday, 7/2/2000 with a trip limit for vessels holding a valid New Jersey Summer Flounder Permit of 500 lbs and a maximum of five (5) days per week that a vessel may land summer flounder.		Tom McCloy 609-292-2083
Delaware				Rick Cole 302-739-4782
Maryland		Effective 0800 hrs on Friday, 2/26/2000, the possession limit for summer flounder for vessels with a Maryland summer flounder permit is increased to 5,000 lbs.		Harley Speir 410-260-8303
Virginia				Lewis Gillingham 757-247-2243
North Carolina	Closed	Effective 1800 hrs on Friday, 3/3/2000, the North Carolina commercial season for summer flounder is closed. North Carolina Fisheries Rules allow vessels to land up to 100 lbs of flounder per trip taken from the Atlantic Ocean during a closed season.	North Carolina commercial season will reopen on 11/1/2000.	Fentress "Red" Munden, 919-726-7021